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In re Application of :  
Mawst et al. : DECISION ON APPLICATION  
Application No. 10/772,573 : FOR  
Filed: February 5, 2004 : PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT  
Atty Docket No. 032026-0754 :

This is a decision on the "APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 CFR \$1.705(B)," filed April 30, 2007. Applicants request that the initial determination of patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) be corrected from 0 to 12 days.

The application for patent term adjustment is **GRANTED to the extent indicated.**

The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determination at the time of the mailing of the notice of allowance is ZERO (0) days, but with 0 days of Office delay and 73 days of applicant delay. A copy of the updated PAIR screen, showing the correct determination, is enclosed.

On February 2, 2007, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) in the above-identified application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment (PTA) to date is 0 days. On April 30, 2007, applicants timely<sup>1</sup> submitted the instant application for patent term adjustment. Applicants dispute the reduction of 12 days associated with the filing of a response after final Office action filed January 24, 2007. Applicants point out that the Office action mailed November 24, 2006 restarted the period for

<sup>1</sup> The Issue Fee payment was also received on April 30, 2007.

response and their response was filed within three months of the mailing date of the subsequently issued Office action.

The record supports a conclusion that the application is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

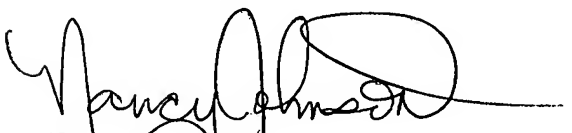
Applicants are correct that any delay should be calculated based on the date of the Restarted Response Period and not based on the date of the mailing of the original Office action. As their response was received within three months of the Letter Restarting Period for Response (the re-mailed Office action), there was no applicant delay within the meaning of §1.704(b).

However, applicants' contention that the patent term adjustment should be 12 days instead of 0 days is incorrect. As of the mailing of the notice of allowance, there was no Office delay. This decision removes 12 days of applicant delay, resulting in an undisputed period of reduction of 73 days for applicant delay at the time of the mailing of the notice of allowance. In view thereof, the correct determination of patent term adjustment at the time of the mailing of the notice of allowance is 0 days (0 days of Office delay reduced by 73 days of applicant delay).

Receipt of the \$200.00 fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.18(e) is acknowledged. No additional fees are required.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for issuance of the patent. The patent term adjustment indicated on the patent will include any additional patent term adjustment accrued for Office delay in issuing the patent after payment of the issue fee and all outstanding requirements having been met.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.



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Enclosure: Copy of REVISED PAIR Screen

## PTA Calculations for Application: 10/772573

Application Filing Date:	02/05/2004	PTO Delay (PTO):	0
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	85
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